

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2295 - HB 2522

February 18, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Directs the Commissioner of the Department of Health (DOH) to develop a plan to ensure that 90 percent of pregnant women in this state will have access to appropriate prenatal care during the first trimester of pregnancy as soon as is reasonably possible. Requires the Commissioner to develop this plan and present it and any related legislative and budgetary recommendations to the Health Committee of the House of Representatives and the Health and Welfare Committee of the Senate on or before February 1, 2021. Further requires the Commissioner, in developing this plan, to examine the availability of federal resources for attaining the goal of the plan and to consult with the Division of TennCare (Division) and the Department of Commerce and Insurance (DCI).

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation will require staff resources to convene the Perinatal Advisory Committee (Committee), establish and convene a work group, solicit input from stakeholders, pay travel expenses for the Committee and work group to meet, and staff time to seek information on any available federal resources.
- The Committee is currently required to meet as frequently as the Commissioner deems necessary, but not less than once each year. The Committee members receive no compensation but are reimbursed for travel expenses.
- It is assumed that the development of this plan can be accommodated during regularly scheduled Committee meetings. Any increase in expenditures to the DOH can be accommodated utilizing existing resources; therefore any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- The Division and DCI can consult with the DOH utilizing existing resources; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- The proposed legislation will not have a significant impact on commerce or jobs in Tennessee.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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